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In re application of: He, et al.

Application Serial No.: Not yet assigned Art Unit: Not yet assigned
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For: Interleukin-1 β Converting Enzyme Attorney Docket No.: PF140P1D1
Like Apoptosis Protease-3 and 4

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
WITH STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821(e) and (f)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, Applicants hereby request that the following amendments and remarks be entered into the subject application.

In the Specification:

On page 1, underneath the Title "INTERLEUKIN-1 β CONVERTING ENZYME LIKE APOPTOSIS PROTEASE-3 AND 4", please insert the following:

--CROSS-REFERENCES TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a divisional of Application No. 08/462,969, filed June 5, 1995, which is a continuation-in-part of Application Serial No. 08/334,251, filed November 1, 1994, each of which is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety.--

On page 4, line 20, please insert before the paragraph beginning with the phrase "The following drawings . . .", the heading:

--Brief Description of the Drawings--.

On page 4, line 23, delete "Figure 1" and replace therewith --Figures 1A-B--, and delete "cDNA" and replace therewith --cDNA sequence (SEQ ID NO:1)--.

On page 4, line 24, delete "sequence" and replace therewith --sequence (SEQ ID NO:2)--.

On page 4, line 28, delete "Figure 2" and replace therewith --Figures 2A-B--, and delete "cDNA" and replace therewith --cDNA sequence (SEQ ID NO:1)--.

On Page 4, line 29, delete "sequence" and replace therewith --sequence (SEQ ID NO:2)--.

On page 4, line 32, delete "Figure 3" and replace therewith --Figures 3A-C--.

On page 5, line 4, delete Figures 1 and 2" and replace therewith --Figures 1A-B and 2A-B--.